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Title:

Method for Producing Substance Utilizing Microorganism

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. Please find enclosed:

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	Information Disclosure Statement: pages.
	PTO-1449: pages.
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